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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In the application of:

Hendrik L. BIJL et al.

Serial No.: 08/821,025

Filing Date: March 19, 1997

For: **PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF A
GRANULAR MICROBIAL BIOMASS AND
ISOLATION OF A COMPOUND
THEREFROM**

Examiner: Dr. Irene Marx

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action (Paper No. 13) dated January 28, 1999 for which a response was due on April 28, 1999. This response date has been extended to July 23, 1999. The petition for a three-month extension and a check for the requisite fee are enclosed. Kindly enter the following Amendment and Remarks.